

Central Plains Library System Board Meeting

April 18, 2016 4:00 pm

Phone Conference

PRESENT: Dixie Codner, Jody Crocker, Judy Hagan, Pat Hughes, Tim Johnson, Rochelle Kruger, Shawna Lindner, Sky Seery, Kathy Thomsen

ABSENT: Kristi Hagstrom, Debra Moninger

ALSO PRESENT: Denise Harders (CPLS Director), Sharon Osenga, (CPLS Director), Richard Miller (NLC Rep)

Agenda

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL: Jody Crocker called the meeting to order on 4/18/16 at 4:02pm. Roll call followed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Pat Hughes moved to accept the January 25, 2016 minutes, Dixie Codner seconded.

FINANCIAL REPORT: \$3,500 will be coming in as grant funds from the commission. Under budget on travel, scholarships and workshops. The budget is in good shape. Judy Hagan made a motion to approve the financial report, Shawna Lindner seconded the motion. The motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: From Sharon – Taylor Public Library for weeding and reorganizing. Judy Walker at Amherst School for weeding. From Denise – Jan Kirkpatrick at Litchfield public library for use of the specialty dies for the Strawbees.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Visited 16 public and 10 school libraries w/various topics addressed. Hosted Summer Reading Program Workshops. Teaching/Consulted on Dazzling Displays, Budgeting for Three Rivers Library System, Basic Skills – Governance and Trustee Education in Arapahoe.

Selected and cataloged 83 audiobooks, attended Big Talk from Small Libraries, attended Quarterly Meeting w/NLC, Advocacy Day, Nebraska School Librarians' Day. Updated New Director's Handbook, Collection Management Notebook, Basic Skill – Readers' Advisory and Basic Skills – Library Governance. Visited Do Space in Omaha and Innovation Campus in Lincoln. Hosted CPLS Week of Weeding – 7,000 items were taken out of collections throughout the system, published System Newsletter and listened to PLA Podcast, Managing Bed Bug Situations at the Library.

OLD BUSINESS:

Upcoming Board Vacancies: Need a library advocate, to fill vacant board position. No responses yet. Debra and Sky will be moving off of the board leaving three vacancies. Need one library advocate and two individuals working in a library. Will need names of individuals before the Annual Meeting. Please pass any names along to Sharon and Denise.

Update on LB969: This issue has attracted the attention of libraries nationwide. Judy Hagan, her husband Steve and Denise met with Senator Tyson Larson (his bill) on Advocacy Day. Senator Larson really listened to these three and seemed to take to heart what this issue could mean for libraries. Also met with the legal assistant for Sen. Larson. Hoping something is accomplished. Judy also sent a letter to Sen. Larson after Advocacy Day. LB969 is a dead issue for this session, will keep an eye out for next session.

***Closing RVLS Bank Account:** After many, many, *many* E-Rate headaches, Denise would have had to file a complaint with the FCC in order to get the 2014 E-Rate refund of \$297.12. At this point, Denise has put so much effort and time into receiving this rebate, it's no longer worth the time and effort to pursue it further. It's time to end the fight and finally close out the RVLS 2014 fiscal year. Once this account is closed the money will be transferred into the second

money market account. Tim Johnson made a motion to close the RVLS account and move it to the money market account. Rochelle Kruger seconded. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Status of the Western Library System: Western Library System Board and Eric Green has had a parting of ways. The position will be the System Director (to align w/other system directors), will be under more direct jurisdiction of the board. Two applicants thus far, position closes on April 29th.

Annual Meeting: The board has decided on Kearney (KPL) for the Annual Meeting location. Sharon and Denise will look for a humanities program for this location. Dates are fairly open, Shawna will keep in contact w/Sharon about dates available at KPL.

System Awards: Two system awards – Leadership award for someone working in a library and a Helping Hands award for a library volunteer. Nomination forms were sent out in the latest CPLS newsletter. Hopefully nominations will come in.

Workshops: November 4th is the Strategic Planning/Accreditation workshop at Wilson Public Library in Cozad. This is a date change.

Youth Services Day (August/September)

- Outside the Box Activities for Teens
- Coding
- Brain Development in Children and Teens

Leadership Workshop (September 23rd, Seward Memorial Library)

- Management vs. Leadership (Joyce Neujahr)
- Change Management (Tina Walker and Sky Seery)

E Rate (November, Christa Burns, NLC)

Pioneer User's Group Meeting – December at Arapahoe Public Library

Winter Workshop (February at Kearney Public Library)

- NLC Web Pages(Craig Lefteroff)
- Strategies for Makerspaces Programming
- Diverse Populations

Summer Reading Program Workshop – January & March location and speakers TBD

Trustee Training (Regional Library System Directors) TBD

All workshops are tentative, dates may change.

OTHER BUSINESS:

NLC COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVE REPORT: There are quite a few upcoming NCompass Live programs. Highlighted – Lessons Learned Establishing a Technology Makerspace (4.27.16), Welcome the World to your Library: Creating a Multilingual Library (5.2.16) and take a peek at the Archives – April 6th NCompass introduced Holli Duggan, the new C.E. Coordinator. Christa Burns, Sally Snyder and Richard Miller also spoke at NLC's Library Development Sampler.

\$58,983 in LSTA funding was awarded to 14 public libraries – CPLS libraries include Axtell Public Library, Beaver City Public Library, Blue Hill Public Library, Franklin Public Library and McCook Public Library.

Adopt a Book – email, call or stop by the Commission and take a book or two home if you would be able to use them in your library. Find a list at <http://nlc.nebraska.gov/ref/giveaway.aspx>.

School Library Snapshot Tool – A yearlong celebration on School Libraries Transform Learning #SLM16, tell your library story, produce your own infographic and more.

Nebraska's Sesquicentennial – 2017 celebrates Nebraska's 150th. Statehood Day is August 19th, 2017 and there are a wide variety of events throughout the year. Visit <http://ne150.org> for more info.

Letters about Literature winners announced. 6 students throughout the state were recognized by Gov. Pete Ricketts, have lunch and went to Lincoln City Libraries for their letters to be added to the collection of the Jane Pope Geske Heritage Room of Nebraska Authors.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: Annual Meeting, date/time TBD

ADJOURNMENT: Jody Crocker adjourned the meeting at 4:53 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sky E. Seery